

OREGON INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES
HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM
COUNTY: MULTNOMAH COUNTY

HIST. NAME:
COMMON NAME:
ADDRESS: 325 Northwest Twenty-First Avenue
CITY: Portland
OWNER: Feves, Alius and Al
ADDRESS: P.O. Box 82207, Portland, OR
97282

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1909
ORIGINAL USE: Domestic: single dwelling
PRESENT USE: Commerce: office
ARCHITECT:
BUILDER:
THEME: Culture: 20th Century Architecture
STYLE: Craftsman/Classical Box

T/R/S: T1N R1E S33
MAP NO.: 3027 TAX LOT: 12
ADDITION: King's 2nd Addition
BLOCK: 36 LOT: NA
ZONE: CS QUAD.: Portland
ASSESSOR NO.: R452306150

RESOURCE TYPE: Residence: single family
CONDITION: Good
MOVED (DATE):

Old Address: 89 Twenty-first Street, N.
RANK:

PLAN TYPE/SHAPE: Rectangular
FOUNDATION MATERIAL: Concrete
ROOF FORM & MATERIALS: Hip, hip
dormers/composition shingles
WALL/FRAME: Wood frame
PRIMARY WINDOW TYPE: 1/1 double-hung wood sash
EXTERIOR SURFACING MATERIALS: Beveled

NO. OF STORIES: 2 1/2
BASEMENT: Yes, raised

DECORATIVE FEATURES: Center front entry with paired tapered porch columns; cornerboards, diamond shaped windows; brackets, dentils on dormer; lattice panels at balcony and front entrance steps.

EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS (DATED): Large lattice covered stairs and handicapped access added, convert to commercial use, 1980.

NOTEWORTHY LANDSCAPE FEATURES: One large street tree.

ASSOCIATED FEATURES: None.

SETTING: The building is located on the west side of N.W. Twenty First Avenue, on a busy street corner. The building is set back from the sidewalk with parking spaces in front. The area is characterized as commercial/residential.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Architectural: The residence, constructed in 1909, was designed in the Craftsman/Classic Box styles. The majority of these houses were designed from 1900 to 1910 and are wide spread throughout the study area. The house displays characteristics of the type in its overhanging eaves, box-like massing, two story height and classically inspired front porch details and cornerboards. The residence has some modification to the front porch but retain much of its original design.

Historical: The property is associated with the following Portland families: Byron Holmes, Anna B. and R.F. Prael, and Albert E. and Maude Peters.

PROPERTY OWNERSHIP HISTORY

- 1903 Byron Holmes deeded lot 2 to A.B. Prael in 1903.
- 1924 Anna B. and F.F. Prael, husband and wife, deeded the property to A.E. and Maude Peters in 1924.
- 1925 Albert E. Peters died in 1925. Estate # 255561.
- 1946 Maude Peters, a widow, deeded the property to H.B. Galtz.

OWNERS BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Byron Holmes (1847-1903) came to Portland from New Jersey, via the Isthmus of Panama, with his family in 1856. His father, Thomas J. Holmes, was a prominent pioneer settler, identified with the earlier political and commercial history of Portland. Thomas Holmes was born in England 1819, the son of William and Mary A. Holmes. Upon his arrival in Portland he invested in real estate and the rise in property values made him a wealthy man. The family homestead stood on the block bounded by Second and Third, Davis and Everett streets.

Shortly before coming to Portland, Thomas Holmes married a second time but his widow survived him for only a few years. There were six children of his first marriage, including Byron Z. Holmes. Byron attended public schools in Portland. He was at different times connected with important business enterprises of the city, including the Willamette Iron Works. On January 12, 1871, Byron was married to Hulda Grace Francis, a daughter of Allen Francis. In 1876 Holmes was elected to the State Legislature. He was also an active member of the volunteer fire department in the early days and at the time of his death he was vice president of the Exempt Fireman's Association. He died on November 24, 1903.

Anna B and R.F. Prael: No biographical information is currently known.

Albert and Maude Peters: No biographical information is currently known. Estate # 25561 indicates that Albert Peters died in 1925.

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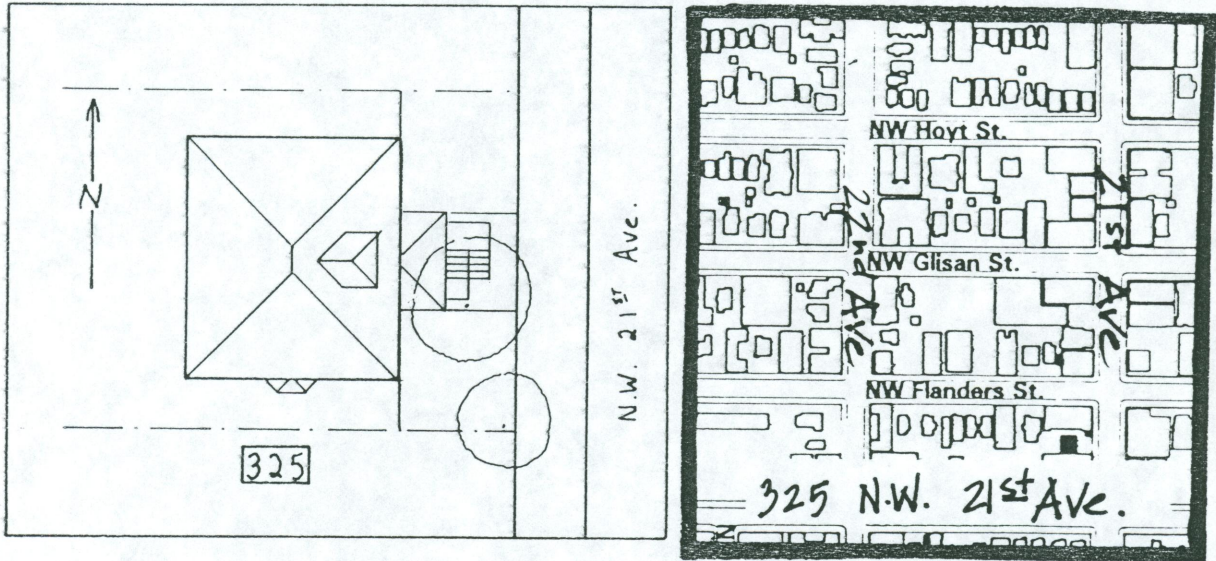
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